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METHOD OF EMULATING MACHINE TOOL BEHAVIOR FOR PROGRAMMABLE LOGIC CONTROLLER LOGICAL VERIFICATION SYSTEM

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method is provided of emulating and visualizing machine tool behavior for a programmable logic controller logical verification system for manufacturing a motor vehicle. The method includes the steps of constructing a mechanical model. The method also includes the steps of viewing motion of the mechanical model in a motion viewer and determining whether the motion of the mechanical model is acceptable. The method further includes the steps of replicating the motion previously defined with PLC code if the motion of the mechanical model was acceptable and using the accepted motion of the mechanical model to compare the behavior of the PLC code relative to the accepted motion.